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We have reviewed the draft terms of reference for the Intelligence Community review of PI resource requirements. The terms of reference propose a two-part study. The first part, to be completed by early October, would be restricted to an assessment of the PI resource needs of CIA, DIA, and NPIC through the next five years. This assessment would be based on two assumptions: that the resource needs identified by these three organizations through the next five years are valid, and that these three organizations are managing their resources efficiently. It will be made clear that the validity of these assumptions will be examined as part of the follow-on study. This initial study will provide John McMahon some basic information for the November PRC meeting. It would be impossible to do a more comprehensive analysis of this issue by early October.

The second part of the study would be much more extensive and complex in nature. We propose that it be completed next spring. This part of the study will entail a complete reexamination of the National Tasking Plan, centering on issues such as: 1) the role and missions of organizations, 2) definitions of national and departmental requirements, 3) areas of preceived and actual overlap and duplication, and 4) current and projected national and departmental intelligence requirements and their impact on the workloads of the organizations. The report will contain recommendations for: 1) the staffing levels of these organizations, 2) the elimination of unnecessary national exploitation requirements, 3) the elimination of unnecessary areas of duplication, and 4) the utilization of national PI assets to satisfy community needs for imagery exploitation. The intent of the study is to ensure satisfaction of national requirements while at the same time providing for an acceptable level of satisfaction of unique departmental needs.

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This study will be conducted under the chairmanship of of the IC Staff with the committee consisting of representatives of LIA, DIA, NPIC, Army, Navy, Air Force, and possibly members of the State Department and NSA.

The thrust of these terms of reference have been discussed with Mr. McMahon and members of the committee, but have not received final approval. Final approval should be forthcoming the first week in September.

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